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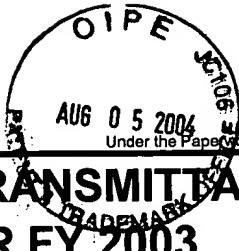
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1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Small Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001	770	2001	385	Utility Filing Fee	
1002	340	2002	170	Design Filing Fee	
1003	530	2003	265	Plant Filing Fee	
1004	770	2004	385	Reissue Filing Fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional Filing Fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)					(\$ 0)

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee From Below	Fee Paid
10	-20** =	0	X 18 = 0
Independent Claims	2	-3** =	0
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1202	2202	9 Claims in excess of 20
1201	2201	43 Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	2203	145 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	2204	43 **Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	2205	9 **Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
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1051	2051	65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	2052	25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.	
1053	1053	130 Non-English specification	
1812	1812	2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	1804	920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner's Action	
1805	1805	1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner's Action	
1251	2251	55 Extension for reply within first month	
1252	2252	210 Extension for reply within second month	
1253	2253	475 Extension for reply within third month	950
1254	2254	740 Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2255	1,005 Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	2401	165 Notice of Appeal	
1402	2402	165 Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	2403	145 Request for oral hearing	
1451	1451	1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	2452	55 Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	2453	665 Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	2501	665 Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	2502	240 Design issue fee	
1503	2503	320 Plant issue fee	
1460	1460	130 Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	1807	50 Petitions related to provisional applications	
1806	1806	180 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	8021	40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	2809	385 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	2810	385 For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	2801	385 Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802	1802	900 Request for expedited examination of a design application	
Other Fee (specify)			
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